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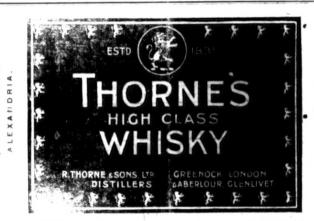
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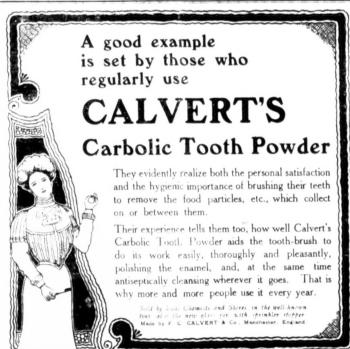
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#### YULETIDE

A certain Mr. Tusser has gained a questionable kind of immortality by baving left on record the fact that Christmas comes but once year; he insists that it should be everybody's delight to keep it up, and, in accordance, to make good cheer. At each recurrence of the festive season the remarks of the worthy Mr Tusser find an echo in our hearts, although the delight is generally to be found in the opposite direction. There is unity at this period that anything attempted should be performed thoroughly, and we have yet to meet the man who did not bear out in the proper spirit this excellent advice during the sentimental season of Christmas

It is a strange and curious thing how the least sentimental of us become infected by the influence of Yule tide. It may arise from that eminent novelist Charles Dickens having toned with sadness his homely description of Xmas. In England he is inseparably connected with the great feast, and many are the fami lies who at evening close the shutters, and gather round the crackling long upon the hearth, to bear once again the tale of Marley's ghost, and Gabriel Grub and the goblins. We do not object to this adulteration of the plumpudding, and the watering our whisky, for it is right that in the midst of the season's peace and joy we should not lose sight of the lesson that Scrooge learnt, that self is not the sole study in life

The "Christmas Carol" is revived again to the delight of Mother's Meetings, and other humorous assemblies, to the joy of those la dies who love to let fall a silent tear.

In Egypt we assume all the gaiety, but feel little of the pleasure that Christmas brings. It can never be truly Christmas in a country, where the exile eats his plum-pudding in a temperature of 65 degrees. How many of us there are who drift back

in the yesterday of things, when

"Memory brings the light of other days" te cheer us. It is a happy thought that carries us back miles and miles across the sea to the old home, to feel again in spirit the joy that the body knows no more. Perhaps the happiest instinct that Christmas presents is in the re-creation of our childish fancies. The snow capped hills; the hanging up of the stocking on Christmas Eve for that benevolent old fellow, whom we thought supplied us with our toys; the delight with which the postman was hailed, the merry sound of the church-going All crowd upon the memory to awaken the little feeling that we may have left for the simple and innocent ideas with which youth endowed us We wonder now, in the light of recent events, if the old superstition of Father Xmas were correct, how many extra stockings would be requisitioned this year in Egypt.

We must not lose sight of the joy in the rude awakening at midnight, when the quivering sound of a superannuated cornet, held by a trembling hand, would steal into our rooms breaking the silence of the night. How we appreciated the idea that it was not a tremble arising from sentiment which caused innecessary trills in the music. There was the old bassoon, the still older piccolo, and other nuisances of a similar antiquity. Once the joy and pride of a defunct local band, the ourse of time had dealt even more severely with these men than with the well punctuated uniforms, which they wore, and which any admiral might once have envied

O : what a falling off was there! Out in the wintry cold, freezing their instruments beneath the local windows. What imperial noses they all had, lasting monuments to an everlasting thirst A more glowing tribute was never paid to the neighbouring distillery, than the presence of these Waits afforded. Their faces were as a sunset against the snow. Still they played on, until we fell asleep under the melodious strains of the "Miseltoe Bough", and dreamt of the morrow's delights.

And the miseltoe bough ! What little plea santries have been completed with thee as a pretext. But the cold print shall never reveal the recollections that we carry locked up in The Eapptian Gazette our hearts of pleasing moments beneath thy sheltering branches.

Although the reality of Christmas may be absent in Egypt, we still have memory to supply us with the missing ideals; to recall he time honoured joke, the merry laugh, and the soul stirring tale, and, more than all, that great reunion, which brought together the family, whose members had drifted beyond their home in the battle of life, meeting again year after year, when every minute detail connected with former gatherings was discussed with the same enthusiasm, as if in the matter of Xmas there were no such thing as past. But how the grim reality presented contradictions to this feeling, when, as each meeting succeeded the other, some smiling face would be missed. This is the sadness that intrudes upon our joy, but it is beautiful to stir the smouldering ashes into flame, and to ive again in the delusions of youth.

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#### LOCAL AND GENERAL.

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The body of a young native woman was found yesterday in a ditch at Ibrahimieh. · She had evidently met her death by strangul-

There will be a meeting of the Commission at 4 o'clock next Saturday afternoon. The many has already obtained many important sole topic of discussion will be the budget for 1908.

#### Customs Receipts.

The Custom House receipts from the 1st of January until the 21st inst totalled L.E. 3,678,460 as compared with LE. 3,426,569 during the corresponding period of 1906. Execution.

There will be a double execution at Hadra Prison on Saturday next, when Menais and Shanak, the murderers of the Omdeh of Bissentwai and of his friends will suffer the capital penalty.

#### Corporation of Western Egypt.

The Corporation of Western Egypt's Western Oases Railway has now reached the temporary terminus of North Kargeh and the 17th January is fixed for the official opening of

#### New Armenian Bishop.

Yesterday at the Catholic Armenian Church of the Immaculate Conception in Rue Averoff, alexandria, the pastoral letter was read of the New Armenian Ustholic Bishop of Egypt, Monsignor Bedros Vartabed Ko

#### An Xmas Annual

We have received a copy of the fourth Xmas annual of the "Times of Ceylon." taining the most important letters, arrives by The cover is by Walter Crane, the well known English artist. Those interested in Ceylon save a great quantity of legitimate annoyance could obtain copies of this interesting annual on applying to the Manager of the "Times" would look into this matter, and have it reof Ceylon" at Colombo It is indispensable to medied, for it must be due to lack of attention all who take an interst in that beautiful

At 8 o'clock on Christmas morning a fire grapher's establishment. The fire brigade on receiving the call were on the spot within a extinguish the fire after ten minutes' work. S.S. "Abbot-ford" arrived with a full cargo of The damage was very slight. The fire was coal from England for the Sudan Government caused by a cigarette end having been thrown Railways. The S.S. "Ahmadi" of the Bombay into a heap of waste paper.

#### Theft from the Semiramis.

was entrusted on Saturday last with the sum | chants, called Banyans. Much of the trade of of L.E 150 in order to pay for repairs or altera tions which had recently been completed at the hands of these merchants, especially flour, the hotel. Some time after his departure from dhurra, spices cotton piece goods etc. They the hotel with the money, he returned with a cut on his cheek, and a tale of highway robbery. He affirmed that he had been attacked by some their commodities at a maximum of profit, with foreigners who had succeeded in making off a minimum of expenditure; leaving little or with the bag containing the money. He was no margin for competition from any European taken to the caracol where under the cross merchants. These Banyans live in even more examination of the Mamour his story was found to be a fabrication from beginning to end. He was arrested, and we understand that their earnings are sent to India. It is question the greater portion of the money has been able whether such one sided trading can be

#### PERSONAL AND SOCIAL.

The Viscount de Chamberet has arrived at Cairo on a mission from the Government of Tunis to study the agricultural position of Egypt and the various public and private institutions connected with agriculture here. to the Government.

Among the arrivals at Alexandria by the "Heliopolis" on Tuesday evening were Prince d'Arenberg, Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Suez Canal Company, the Prince's Zaza, Sir Thomas Lipton, Baron Empain, the well of the Suez Canal Company, the Princes Zaza, Sir Thomas Lipton, Baron Empain, the well Sir Thomas Lipton, Baron Empain, the well safernoon last, for Manchester with general known Belgian financier, Lord Villiers, Mr Butler Aspinal, K.C., Sir William Bell, Count won der Burch, Captain, Mrs., and Miss Beckwith, Countess Chamare, Baron Decamp, Count and Countess de Leasse, Major Kerneth Macdonald, Mrs. Macdonald, Mr. Carten de Wiart, Count de Sonis, Sir Montago Pollock, Orphi Pasha, Captain Ponsonby, Mrs. and Mrs. T. F. and Mrs. Cartening Mrs. The Ederman liner "City of Dundee" sailed from Macdonald Mrs. Cartening Mrs. The Ederman liner "City of Dundee" sailed Mrs. The and Mrs. Cartening Mrs. Cartening Mrs. Sir Montago Pollock, Orphi Pasha, Captain Ponsonby, Mrs. and Mrs. Sir Montago Pollock, Orphi Pasha, Captain Ponsonby, Mrs. and Mrs. Sir Montago Pollock, Orphi Pasha, Captain Ponsonby, Mrs. and Mrs. Sir Montago Pollock, Orphi Pasha, Captain Ponsonby, Mrs. and Mrs. Sir Montago Pollock, Orphi Pasha, Captain Ponsonby, Mrs. and Mrs. Sir Montago Pollock, Orphi Pasha, Captain Ponsonby, Mrs. and Mrs. Sir Montago Pollock, Orphi Pasha, Captain Ponsonby, Mrs. and Mrs. Sir Montago Pollock, Orphi Pasha, Captain Ponsonby, Mrs. and Mrs. Sir Montago Pollock, Orphi Pasha, Captain Ponsonby, Mrs. and Mrs. Sir Montago Pollock, Orphi Pasha, Captain Ponsonby, Mrs. and Mrs. Sir Montago Pollock, Orphi Pasha, Captain Ponsonby, Mrs. and Mrs. Sir Montago Pollock, Orphi Pasha, Captain Ponsonby, Mrs. and Mrs. Sir Montago Pollock, Orphi Pasha, Captain Ponsonby, Mrs. and Mrs. Sir Montago Pollock, Orphi Pasha, Captain Ponsonby, Mrs. and Mrs. Sir Montago Pollock, Orphi Pasha, Captain Ponsonby, Mrs. and Mrs. Sir Montago Pollock, Orphi Pasha, Captain Ponsonby, Mrs. and Mrs. Sir Montago Pollock, Orphi Pasha, Captain Ponsonby, Mrs. and Mrs. Sir Montago Pollock, Orphi Pasha, Captain Ponsonby, Mrs. And Mrs. Sir Montago Pollock, Orphi Pasha, Captain Ponsonby, Mrs. And Mrs. Sir Montago Pollock, Orphi Pasha, Captain Ponsonby, Mrs. And Mrs. Sir Montago Orphi Pasha, Captain Ponsonby, Mrs. and hence list evening Togsday for Liverpool Barnley. The first of the Offertory Sentences Miss Sinadino, Mr. T.E. and Mrs. Casdagli and Mrs. Giglio, etc.

It is announced that Mr. Mitchell Inne-Under Secretary of State at the Ministry of Finance, will shortly sever his official contection with the Egyptian Government service

Sir Samuel and Lady Sadler are among the visitors at Shepheard's Hotel. His interests have always been centred round Middles borough where he is a well known chemical manufacturer and coalowner for 32 years he acted as Member of the Town Council there and between the years 1900 and 1906 he represented that town in Parliament having contested the seat unsuccessfully on three other

The Khedive has conferred the Grand Cordon of the Medjidieh on Sir Horace Pinching, late director-general of the Public Health Depart-

Lt. Col. Catheart Garner succeeds Mr. W P.G. Graham as sub-director of the Public Hea th Department.

Mr. and Mrs A.O. Lamplough have arrived at Cairo from Alexandria and are staying at the Hotel d'Angle'erre. Mr. Lamplough will remain in Cairo for about a month, before going to Upper Egypt, and will probably give a fortnight's exhibition of his pictures.

#### GERMANY AND ABYSSINIA.

#### THE TRIPLE AGREEMENT

#### (Gazette's Special Service.)

London, Tuesday. The "Globe" correspondent at Rome says that Menelik cannot resign himself to recognise the Anglo Franco Italian agreement. He regards it in fact as non existent. The chief result of the triple agreement is to spread German influence in Menelik's country.

#### SIR J. ARDAGH'S WILL

#### Gazette's Special Service

London, Tuesday.
The late Sir John Ardagh's will shows a net

#### MUSURUS PASHA'S SUCCESSOR

#### Gazette's Special Service

London, Tuesday Hamid Bey has been appointed Chargé

d'Affaires at the Court of St. James.

#### NOTES FROM SUAKIM THE NEW MAIL SERVICE.

(From our own Correspondent) Suakim, December 17.

The new tast mail service has so far only benefitted Suakim to a limited extent. Instead of receiving all our mails on Sunday as for merly they now reach us in driblets, part arriving on Saturday morning by train from Port Sudan, while another portion, often consteamer, generally the following day. It would and inconvenience if the postal authorities

#### Suakim's Trade

The harbour presented quite a busy aspect At 8 o'clock on Christmas morning a fire on Monday with no less than five ships in port broke out in Sharia Abou Doudar in a litho at once, which is ample evidence that the place ticipated Besides three of the Khedivial Co's steamers calling on their regular itinerary, the Persia Line arrived from Jeddah to discharge theft from the Semiramie.

An Abysinian groom at the Semiramis hotel from India, chiefly consigned to Indian mer-Suakim, and other places in the Sudan, is in deal directly with the natives, and by cutting out the middle man, are able to dispose of frugal fashion that the native, spend next to nothing on personal requirements, and all considered advantageous to the prosperity of any country, more especially the Sudan, which would greatly benefit by a more reciprocal system of trading to ensure a better circulation

Flour has attained an almost unprecedenedly high price here, going up within a short ime from 100 PT to 130 P.T. per kilo. The scarcity of flour in India is sure to keep the On his return to Tunis he will present a report price up, but with a considerable consignment arriving by the "Ahmadi" it is expected to drop slightly within the next few days.

#### STEAMER MOVEMENTS

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#### CHRISTMAS IN EGYPT

#### AT CAIRO.

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Xmas Eve was an exceptionally busy day, everybody was on the move, while shops and ba ars were being ransacked of their choicest waics A finely decorated tree was as usual in evidence in the Egyptian Hall at Shepheard's during the afternoon, many people dropping in there at tea time. During the evening it again became the centre of attraction, for one of the usual dances was in progress and the opportunity was too good to be wasted. The floor was in perfect condition, and the well known Tzigane orchestra under took the latter half of the programme to the the last compliments paid to many as they turned their steps homeward. Another fine Xmas tree decorated the dining hall of Hotel d'Angleterre that same evening, when a very special dinner was served to the guests as sembled there, and a good programme of music enlivened the proceedings.

Xmas day started early and the English hurch was packed to its utmost capacity for the ordinary morning service, while other services had been performed earlier in the morning. Branches of palms and masses of very beautiful effect to the edifice. There was however for the minds of many were dwelling on the horror of the fatal accident which had occurred to the young chaplain of the Citadel, the Rev D.P. Miller, only a few hours earlier, which allusion was made by the Rev Hilton Molesworth in his sermon

With the exception of this most sad occur ence, there has been nothing to mar the happiness of our Xuas in Cairo. There have been cheery meetings on every side, and Xmas trees and Xmas dinners have been enjoyed by and though many of us are spending the season away from English homes and relatives we have had no occasion to regret the circum-

"East or West, Hame's Best". Despite our ergetic efforts to carry out the traditions of the real old English Christmas, there is lacking this country for many of us the family gathering which is the real secret of a merry Christmas. There are probably none of us who can altogether put sentiment aside at such a season, and though we maintain with brave hearts that "Peace on earth, goodwill to all Men", and make our Christmas a merry one, thoughts are none the less bent towards that little island which rules the seas, and our viality is somewhat forced.

Christmas in Alexandria was well spent, and the Britishers in Alexandria attended the ervices at the churches in large numbers.

At St. Mark's five services were held Christmas Day.

The total number of communicants was markedly larger than on Christmas Day last year, though the numbers at the late celebra filled to over flowing, and in addition to some to chairs placed in the church before the service, others were brought in from the chapel horal parts of the service with precision and efficiency which must have entailed much

church were placed palms and plants.

The tont, lectern, pulpit and choir stalls Table in the church and in the chapel were filled with exquisite roses, lilies of the valley. Those responsible for the decor ations were Mrs. Evre. Mrs. Roberts, Mrs. Algernon Ward, Mrs. Whitworth, Miss Garnett Spurgeon, Miss Talbot, and Mr. Macnee, Mr. Mustard and Mr. V. Mustard. Among those who sent plants, foliage, and flowers were the following, Lady Blomfield, Mrs. Borton, Mrs. Callender, Mrs. Crafton, Mrs. Lawrence Daw-. Mme Debbane, Mrs Dickson, Hon. Mrs. Hopkinson, Mrs. Picton, Mrs. A S Preston, Mrs. W T Smith, Mrs Tennant, Miss Batcheller Miss Calovanni, Miss Coates, Mr. J. E. Cornish, Mr. Ebell, Mr Foster The Chaplain (Archdeacon Ward), assisted by the Rev. J. Elkin, officiated at the services and the lessons were read by Rear Admiral Sir Massie Blomfield K C M G.
The collections throughout the day, were for dels at the Hotel Villa Victoria, the fund for the relief of the poor and Cairo. amounted to P.T. 1380.5.

#### The hotels of Alexandria on Christmas night did their best to entertain their many guests. The Savoy Palace gave a sumptuous dinner and the handsome dining room was very wel filled by tourists and residents. In the centre of the room was an electric lit and heavily burdened Christmas tree, but the coloured

globes were almost eclipsed by the numerous tiny candles without which no Christmas tree could be complete. During and after dinner the orchestra of the hotel played an excellent selection of music, and Mr Brey, the popular manager of the hotel, did his utmost to make all forget that they were in a foreign land.

The Christmas tree at the Khedivial Hotel was held on Christmas eve, and there were many on that night to celebrate the season, whilst last night a monster dinner was given At the Carlton Hotel, Ramleh, the table was spread with liberal Christmas fare. Indeed no matter where one went Christmas greetings met the ear and Christmas liberality was showered upon one.

Other notes on Christmas must be held over for to-morrow's issue.

#### A CAIRO CONCERT-

It is hardly fair or possible to judge the Société des Concerts or the orchestra by their great delight of the dancers. Xmas morning was well on the way before the entertainment Murmurs, had arrived too late and for second concert. The main stay and crown of Wagner was substituted — Weber.

Really the change of programme did seem affect the whole concert. Probably that one splendid piece might have attuned the whole rchestra and their conductor to the height of excellence which, I understand, they showed in the first concert. However that may be, there were dull moments. The Weber' invitation to the valse seemed hackneyed and oisy, and the long Mendlessohn savoured of genteel drawing room. The opening Mozart' "Zanber flot" was charming and well given. What delightful clean strong music, full of flowers, poinsettias etc. replaced the ordinary character and delicacy. In the Italian symdecorations in favour at home, and gave a phony M. Baron rather emphasized and bur ried the Andante movement, and the ora great element of sadness in the service chestra hardly rose to the Presto, they did not "carry it off." But then it is deep heresy to say so. It always seems to me that Mendlessohn as a rule needs rather more than his due in interpretation and execution.

The two Brahms dances and the Bertroz March were excellent. They showed what the orchestra could do especially in "the march The Brahms dances perhaps require an ex ceptional display of temperament, if the fulness of the measure and changing rhythm are to be achieved. M Soubeyran sang correctly enough, but was a trifle hard and unsatisfying at mo

The next concert should be well worth hear ing The programme is splendid; and the or ehestra apparently can 'rise' to really good music, Gluck Handel, Wagner, what more can one ask, and probably Mile. Genevois for the

There was a good attendance, though one has to confess that some of the more fashion-'able representatives of Cairo culture were in clined to come in late and even to whisper at moments during the performance. If the So cieté gives such excellent music, it should be rigid on that point, absolute silence and closed doors should be the rule I remember so well the severity of the Oxford Musical Club, and its fine of five shillings for the least sound -first offence only - subsequent offences almost ranked with fines for excessive speed of motor cars ! Also the double curtain -if an improvement. At present any visitor or resident who finds himself or herself in the hall of the Semiramis, has nearly as good a chance of hearing the music as any of the sub scribers. These are paying ten france a concert. tion were less At 11 am. the church was Theothers need only reckon the price of their tea, and have the music thrown in

#### KILLED BY A MOTOR-CAR-

noon went from there to Boulac by tramear "Let your light" was sung by the trebles to music and on alighting he was knocked down and Rev. E. Vine Hall. During the collection run over by a motor car belonging to M. the well known Christmas Hymn Adeste George Spezzaragoulos of the Splendid Bar Fideles was sung most heartily by the congregation The Communion service was Woodward ed to be passing immediately gave what assisted to be passing immediately gave the proposition of the Splendid Bar and the passing immediately gave what assisted the proposition of the Splendid Bar and the passing immediately gave what assisted the passing immediately gave the proposition of the Splendid Bar and the passing immediately gave what assisted the passing immediately gave what assisted the passing immediately gave the passing immediately gave the passing immediately gave what assisted the passing immediately gave t In the sanctuary and west end of the ance he could to the injured man, and Dr. Madden arrived about 10 minutes after The tont, lectern, pulpit and choir stalls the accident, Major Harding, RAMC, and were tastefully decorated with beautiful flowers, Bimbashi Thomson, RAMC, following soon and foliage. The vases placed upon the Holy afterwards, the Rev. R. Armitage, D.S.O., and the Rev. J. Hilton Molesworth, M.A., also arriving about the same time Mr. Miller though terribly mutilated was still conscious, and was able to entrust me-sages to his fellow clergymen. He was conveyed to Dr. Milton's Botfield, Miss Coates, Miss Roberts, Miss Home, where he expired shortly after mid night The Rev. Molesworth made touching references to the accident at the morning service, and the regret which he expressed finds an echo in the hearts of all who knew Mr. Miller. The inquest will be held at noon to-day, after which the foneral will take place.

## PARIS-HOUSE GENEVA.

THE 1908 BUDGET

#### FINANCIAL ADVISER'S NOTE

We extract the following from the Financial Adviser's exhaustive note on the Budget for 1908 :-

However severely the crisis may have depressed certain branches of business it has left untouched, and is, indeed, entirely disconnected from, the fundamental factors Egyptian prosperity. Over-speculation followed upon that prosperity and has met with its penalty; but the mainspring of that prosperity. the country's inherent wealth intelligently developed, remains entirely unimpaired; the crisis of 1907 is but an incident in a progress which is, humanly speaking, and in the absence of some political or natural convulsion, reasonably assured.

Nevertheless this crisis has not been without its passing effect upon the public finances of the country; it has checked the growth of those items of the revenue, which, during the preceding period of general prosperity, showed the greatest elasticity. Both the import duties and the fees on the transfer of land, representng together about 2½ millions of revenue, have, during the last few months, shown in lieu of the rapid increase of recent years, a slight diminution as compared with the corres ponding period in 1906.

In view of these results, it has been thought prudent to take, as regards 1908, a somewhat ess sauguine view than usual of the probable growth of these revenues; although the ustoms return for November give some pronise of recovery in the yield of the import

Moreover, two items of former revenue disappear entirely from the receipts side of the new budget. The first is that derived from payments to secure exemption from military service ("Badalieh.") Notwithstanding the somewhat unfavourable financial conditions of the moment the Government is of opinion that the system of crediting these receipts to ordinary revenue should 10 longer be maintained. It is felt that these payments, which the richer part of the population are in a position to make in order to secure exemption from military service, should be employed for the benefit of their less fortunate brethren who serve as conscripts in the Army and Police. The details of the project are still under con sideration. The receipts in question, however, will, from 1908, not figure in the ordinary budget, but be carried to a special fund to be devoted to the above mentioned purpose.

The second item to disappear from the ordinary revenue is the proceeds of the sale of Government lands. The Government, apart from its liquid assets, possesses in these lands a large secondary reserve. It appears desirable that the proceeds of the sale of these lands. which have varied from LE. 100,000 to L.E. 300,000 in recent years, should be carried to the credit of the Reserve Fund, and not, as heretofore, to ordinary revenue. At the same time, desirable as the change may be from the point of view of accounting, too much practical importance should not be attached to it, seeing that the surplus on the ordinary budget carried year by year to the credit of the Reserve has largely exceeded the amount of the receipts in

The elision of these two items from the or dirary budget of 1908 involves a loss of receipts which were estimated in 1907 to amount, in the case of Military exemption, to L.E. 150,000 and in the case of sale of Government lands to L E. 125,000 or in all to L E, 275,000.

On the other hand, a welcome new feature on the Receipts side of the budget is the payment by the Sudan Government of LE 45,000. as interest at 3% on LE 1,500,000 out of LE 3,500,000 advanced by the Egyptian Government up to the end of 1906 for Capital Expenditure. This payment has the effect of reducing the net sum to be paid by Egypt as contribution in aid of the civil budget of the Sudan in 1968 to L.E. 208,006 from L.E. 253,006 in 1907. It is to be hoped that with the growing resources of the Sudan, it may be found possible to lighten year by year this burden on the Egyptian budget.

The actual Revenue for 1907 is likely to re ach the sum of L.E. 16 100,000 and the actual Expenditure L.E. 14,400,000, enabling a surplus of L.E. 1,700,000 to be carried to the

mexpended balance of the Govern ment's Reserve, the Fund from which Capital L. E. 7,772,336.

Composed originally for the major part of the sums transferred to the Government by arrangement of 1904, this Fund is maintained budgets, supplemented from time to time by exceptional receipts, such as that resulting from the liquidation of the Daira estates. For some years to come, and probably until 1912, no important additions to the Fund are to be expected apart from such as may result from

On the other hand, the amount expended out of the Reserve Fund in 1907 will reach nerly 4½ millions, a rate of expenditure which it will be difficult to reduce to any great extent in the immediate future without injuriously restricting the development of the ountry

In view of the above facts, and of the pecuiar restrictions to which Egypt is subjected in dinary budget.

Government on the final liquidation of the standard.

affairs of the Daira Sanieh, fell due for payment towards the end of this year. In view of the prevailing financial stringency the Egyptian Government, in deference to urgent representations, has consented to the postponement of the payment of L.E. 500,000 of the above shim. By the arrangement arrived at with the Daira Sanieh Company this debt is transferred to the Crédit Foncier, which undertakes to discharge it in 4 years by equal instalments, paying 4% interest on the amount due. The instalments as received will be paid to the credit of the Reserve Fund.

This arrangement, tantamount to the loan of half a million to the Crédit Foncier, involves considerable sacrifices on the part of the Egyptian Government, which, in order to meet the heavy expenditure on its Reserve Fund, is obliged to sell securities at a moment when these are suffering from the general depreciation. It was assented to only in view of very exceptional circumstances which, it may be hoped, will not recur in Egypt.

The year, as regards the yield of cotton has een somewhat disappointing. Opening with brilliant prospects, final results have been unequal, and have not in many cases come up to expectation. The area under cotton was the largest on record, but the total yield is unlikely to exceed that of last year. The reasons for this are still somewhat obscure The price of cotton has been satisfactory.

#### OPERA IN CAIRO

#### A TRIPLE BILL

"La Légende du Point d'Argentan", Cavaleria Rusticana" and the ballet from "Herodiade" were all three given on Monday night But by a merciful dispensation the ballet came last of all. I take it as an answer to my prayers, as I was thereby able to evade it

"La Légende du Point d'Argentan" is a slight one act piece by one M. Fourdrain, produced only this year in Paris. The story is f a fisher couple, in great straits, the husband out of work, their child ill, and the wife striving in vain to recover the secret of the Argentan lace, and gain the prize for the Queen's robe. Her husband goes out through the storm to seek work, she remains at his work, a wanderer comes in to seek shelter and warmth. The wife relates her woes and hopes, and then tired out, falls asleep over her task. The wanderer reveals herself. She is Our Lady Herself, she summons her Angels, who achieve the wondrous robe, and leave it for the wife to find when she awakes. The music is rather charming with a certain delicate and appropriate movement, a touch here and there of Massenet, and even, one would say, certain moments of Puccini. There were phrases and tarns of expression that distinctly suggested "La Bohème". The mistake of the management was the cast. Those parts, slight as they seemed, should have been filled by the best singers available. The opera needs that. Mile Talbert was too restrained, and hardly adequate, and the Wanderer was quite unable even to sing the music. M. Gorins, as the husband, had little enough to do. He did it well. The orchestra was good enough, but the performance as a whole was a failure.

'Cavalleria" was the reverse Mme. Magne nerself took the part of Santuzza, and was superexcellent all through it. Her acting was vivid and convincing, and her voice expressed to the last detail every shade of meaning the part could convey. M. Gorins again was orcible and accurate, thoroughly efficient. M. Flachat began badly. He seemed to be a trifle sharp in the prologue, and, though his acting was good, rather too noisy and harsh in the church scene. But towards the end be showed the full beauty of his voice. The chorus again was excellent, especially the male voices. Of course the intermezzo was encored. It eems to have a relentless hold on Cairo taste. Still, it is a short episode, and taking the pera as a whole, Mme. Magne's singing and M. Flachat's finale were ample compensation for these lesser trials.

## ZIZINIA THEATRE.

#### TAUST

After a lapse of many years the "Società Artistica d'Egitto" decided this season to inlade in the programme Gounod's masterpiece the world wide favorite opera "Faust," and the production on Saturday night was altogether distinct success. As Margherita, Signorina Ida Gobbato created a most favourable impres sion and her voice although not strong is et good quality and the many difficult passages allotted to the part were exceedingly well rendered. Signorina Gobbato, who is possessed of a charming presence, also exhibited histrionic the Caisse de la Dette in compliance with the ability, too rarely found on the operatic stage, which enabled her to present an altogether mainly by the help of surpluses on the annual artistic impersonation. As Faust Signor Narciso Del Ry was fairly successful in this very trying rôle. We hope to see him to better advantage on some future occasion. Signor Carlo Walter is of course an old favorite, but bearing in mind his achievements last year in "Mefistofele" his performance on Saturday was a trifle disappointing. There was an absence of attention to detail which marked his previous excellent interpretation. His costume, too, appeared much too voluminous and handicapped him in certain effects. From a musical point of view his Mephisto was very acceptable; we think, however, that his rendering of the favorite old serenade left room for considerable improvement. The minor characters were unusually well supported, both Signorina Ida Pasotti as the matter of borrowing, it is obvious that every endeavour must be made to maintain timo being excellent in their respective parts. the Reserve by means of surpluses on the or- The choruses showed considerable improvement on their previous performances. Before passing from this subject it may be ballet "La Notte di Valpurgis" was well exeof interest to record the fact that the balance cuted and the orchestra under the guidance of of L.E. 600,000, payable to the Egyptian Signor Zuccani was quite up to its usual Cheap Prepaid Advertisements.

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Bourse Khédiviale, le 24 decembre 1907.

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#### TELEGRAMS

FRANCE IN THE NEAR EAST.

THE EDUCATION PROBLEM.

Paris. December 25. Senate. Mr. Blanchier asked Mr. Pichon to reserve a supplementay credit for 1909 for the Eastern schools. He said that England is tend language, and added that in another five years refuse to pay taxes and f ruish recruits the French section of the Khedivial School would no longer exist. Mr. Genourier asked for the appointment of a Parlamentary commission to examine the question of Eastern protectorates Mr. Pichon refused and pointed out the prosperity of the colleges of Beyrouth. Cairo, and Constantinople. The Government desired to create a normal school in the East and will give subsidies to the lay founders in the East who actively assist the Republic

#### GERMANY AND TURKEY

PERSIAN POLICY

Berlin, December 23. In official circles the news published by cer

tain anti German newspapers to the effect that Germany is the instigator of Turkey's action on the Persian frontier, is emphatically denied Germany on several occasions, and notably at the commencement of the frontier dispute in September 1906, advised T. rkey to conclude

with Persia a pacific arrangement. The German Government's attitude with regard to the question has not changed up to the present

#### THE DENISHWAI PRISONERS.

RELEASE ON KHEDIVE'S ACCESSION DAY

London, December 25. It is announced that, with the consent of Great Britain, the Denishwai prisoners will be released on the anniversary of the Khedive accession on 8th January.

#### FRENCH ANTI-MILITARISM

SENTENCES FOR LIBEL

Paris December 21 The anti militarist Hervé has been sentenceto a year's imprisonment and to pay a fine of 3,000 francs for libelling and insulting the army and navy. M. Merle, manager of the journal "La Guerre Sociale," and Almereyda member of the staff, each have been sentenced to 5 years' imprisonment and to pay a fine of

#### FRANCE'S FOREIGN POLICY

Paris, December 25 M. Pichon in the Senate reiterated that France did not wish to conquer Morocco. She was auxious only to secure prosperity in the countries of North Africa. He dwelt on the advantage to France by the ententes with Great Britain, Japan, Spain, and Abyssinia in conjunction with the alliance with Russia. The friendly relations between her and Italy were daily strengthening.

In reply to M Milland he promised to introduce into Tunis the policy of associating the natives with the Government of their The match was drawn. Admiral Coverville urged the claims of the

French schools in Egypt and Syrin. (Renter

#### TRIAL OF DINI ZULU

Pietermaritzburg, December 24

The preliminary examination of Dina Zala has begun. The son of the reb-I leader Sam baata gave evidence indicating that Prof. Zolu Hear Frank Hiscock, Mr. F. K. Hiscock, and to forget how advantageous it is to our had made private preparations for a rising in Mr and Mrs. Caste, Mrs. E. Lowe, Mrs. M. A. political progress to preserve the best possible

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#### TELEGRAMS.

THE VIBORG MANIFESTO.

TRIAL OF SIGNATORIES

St. Petersburg, December 25. The trial has opened here of 169 signatorie of the Viborg manifesto. The accused are mostly labourites and constitutional democrats. ing to make Egypt a land of the English They are charged with inciting the people to

#### THE PERSIAN CRISIS

Teheran, December 24. The people are not reassured by the Shah's declaration and wish for practical fulfilment of his promises. Only a few shops are open. Armed men are reassembling. Random firing is heard

LONDON, December 25. The "Times" learns from St. Petersburg that the leading journals unanimously approve of the An, 'o Russian pacificatory mission in Per sia, and record with satisfaction the ensuing improvement in the relations between the Shah and the Mejliss. Hope is expressed that a durable understanding will be reached. (Reuter)

#### REFORMS IN CHINA

LONDON, December 25. The "Times" learns from Peking that ar imperial edict in the name of the Empress repeats the desire that the throne should hasten the establishment of constitutional government, but threatens that should in responsible agitation continue, the installation of this reform would be further postponed.

#### RESIGNATION OF DUTCH CABINET.

THE HAGUE, December 25. The Cabinet has resigned in consequence of the rejection of the Army estimates framed by the Minister of War.

#### GOLD FOR AMERICA.

NEW YORK, December 24. Another 1.0 0,000 dollars worth of gold has

The Memphis Saving's Bank has closed it. doors. Its deposits amount to 2,000,000 dollars

#### SUBMISSION OF BENT SNASSENS

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#### THE CHOLERA FIEND.

DJEDDAH, December 24. The who'e of Hedjaz is declared to be infect ed with cholera.

### THE PORTUGUESE ELECTIONS

Lisbox, December 25. A decree fixes the date of the parliamentary elections at 5th April.

#### M.C.C. AT MELBOURNE

MELBOURNE, December 24. Cricket Victorians 488 runs for 9 wickets.

#### NILE TOURISTS.

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#### EGYPTIAN POLITICS

THE PARTY OF THE PEOPLE.

DEATH OF THE LEADER.

We regret to announce the sudden death of Hassan Abdul Razik Pasha, the leader of the Party of the People and a member of the Legislative Council, which occurred yesterday morning in Cairo. He was an intimate friend of the late Sheikh Mohamed Abdou, the Grand Mufti of Egypt, and he was in many respects an excellent sample of the enlightened Egyptian. The funeral, which was attended by a large number of mourners, took place yesterday afternoon in the Mosque of Iman

The following is the text of the political manifesto, addressed last week to the public in England, by the late Hassan Abdul Razik Pasha. It appeared in the London "Standard" in the form of a letter to the Editor and is as follows :

Sir,-Please allow me to express to you my sincere thanks for the kindly discrimination shown in your columns regarding the "Party of the People." May I take this opportunity of describing briefly the aims and organisation of the party in question, in order that the public England may be more accurately acquainted with the real facts of the situation as they stand in Egypt.

Up till now, intelligent Egyptians have be eved that the British occupation of Egypt was accidental, and that it would be removed when the causes that brought it about were removed. That belief is based on the confi dence which the Egyptians have in the promises of the British nation—a confidence which was made stronger still by the negotia tions that took place between Britain and Turkey in 1887 through Sir H. Drummond Wolff. Thus the Egyptians have silently watched the economical, moral, and political progress that has been effected in the country, in the full belief that, as soon as these reforms should be completed and based on solid ground, such as would justify for the Egyptians complete autonomy, and guarantee for Great Britain and the rest of the European nations their respective interests, the management of the affairs of Egypt would then be entrusted to purely Egyptian hands, thereby fulfilling the words of the late Mr. Gladstone: "Egypt

for the Egyptians." The material progress achieved in Egypt during the last 25 years has been marvellous. But as yet there has scarcely been any real attempt at educational and political reform. Education is still being carried on in such a manner as not to secure the desired results; and in practice the representatives of the Egyptian nation are not given such privileges as are consistent with and adapted to Egypt's present social condition This bas no doubt aroused in the nation a certain degree of anxiety.

The desire for progress in the direction of self-government led a number of Egyptian notables, including a great number of the Le gislative Council and General Assembly, to hold a meeting, in which they decided to make every effort to secure the desired end, and established for that purpose a paper, "Al Garidah," to be their organ. These notables pab licly declared their principles, aims, and the means to attain them on September 21, 1907. as has already been reported to you by your Corre-pondent in Cairo. The number of these notables has now increased to 170 The aim of the "Party of the People" is progress towards autonomy. Its means for securing that end are to make elementary education general, obli gatory, and free : to promote higher education; and to persuade the Government to acknow ledge the natural rights of the people by extending the jurisdiction of the Provincial Councils, the Legislative Council, and General Assembly in such a way as to produce effectual co-operation by the representatives of the people with the Government in public matters n order that the autonomy promised by the English may ultimately be attained.

These, in short, are the views of the "Party of the People," and, I may add, of the best classes of Egyptian society. It is true there had made private preparations for a rising in Mr and Mrs. Coste, Mrs. E. Lowe, Mrs. M. A.

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The Government has suspended action against Silwane and decided to release 226 Mrs. Kompmann, Mrs. G. A. Bampfield, Capt, rebels convicted last year. The operations in Wr. T. Davidson, Mrs. E. Colonna, Mr. A.

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G. Warron, Mrs. J. A. Rathb organ of this party is "Al Lewa," and it calls itself the National party. Opposed to that party stands another that exists in little more than name. Its policy is to exalt the British Administration in Egypt, in season and out of season, finding no fault whatever with it. "Al Mokattam" is the organ of this party, which calls itself the Liberal National party.

What is of importance to all Egyptians, how ever diverse may be their views concerning reform, is to try to convince the British public of the fact that the existing Administration neglects higher education, that it has not looked favourably upon the university enterprise, and that it is not prepared to extend the Organic Law. All this is calculated to make for estrangement between the Egyptians and the British, which estrangement some mis taken enthusiasts use as a fertile ground in which to scatter those seeds of dissension which are hated alike by wise Egyptians and, so far as we can see, by wise Englishmen, too

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#### LETTER TO THE EDITOR.

We do not hold ourselves responsible for the opinionses pressed by our correspondents, but we wish, in a spirit of fair play to all, to permit—within certainnecessry limits— free discussion. LITERARY HISTORY OF THE ARABS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "EGYPTIAN GAZETTE.

Allow me to send you a copy of the last leaf, which is also a kind of conclusion, of a book just published "A Literary History of the Arabs" by Reynold A. Nicholson, M. A. Lecturer in Persian in the University of Cambridge and sometime Fellow of Trinity College

The paragraph is entitled "Influence of European culture-Islam and Modern civilisa-

If after reading it you think as I do, that it night do some good to your European and Oriental readers, especially now that there is so much talk about University and Moslem Congress, etc. you might perhaps be inclined to publish it in your wide spread and valuable

Truly Yours,

Cairo, 16th December.

Since Napoleon showed the way by his have come more and more under European benefits which might be obtained from the suzeal than discretion, they did not exert themselves altogether in vain. The introduction of the printing press in 1821 was an epoch-making of the Arabs for their national literature, the cause of progress-I use the word without prejudice - has been furthered by the numerou political, literary, and scientific journals which are now regularly issued in every country where presses of Cairo, Bulaq and Beyrout. The science and culture of Europe have been rendered accessible in translations and adaptations of which the complete list would form volume in itself. Thus, an Arab may read in his own language the tragedies of Racine, the comedies of Molière, the fables of La Fontaine. Cristo' (not to mention scores of minor ro mances, and even the Iliad of Homer The G. Lamott, Mr. D. Bayer, Mr. H. Barkowsky learned and purely technical literature derived immediately or indirectly from Europe is extensive. In short, France and Britain have taken the place which was occupied in the B. Levy, Mr D Voltera Golden Age of Islam by Greece and India, but we must, I think, confess that down to the present day the results of all this activity amount to little more than the proverbial

Hitherto modern culture has only touched the surface of Islam. Whether it will event ually strike deeper and penetrate the inmost barriers of that scholastic discipline and literary tradition which are so firmly rooted in the affections of the Arab people, or whether it will always continue to be an exotic and highly prized accomplishment of the enlightened and emancipated few, but an object of scorn and detestation to Moslems in general these are questions that may not be solved for centuries to come.

Meanwhile the past affords an ample and splendid field of study.

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#### CALENDAR OF COMING EVENTS

ALEXANDRIA.

December

Thur. 26 San Stefano Casino, Cinematographic Performance Every Thursday at dusk. Eiffel Tour, French Theatrical Troupe

Urbanora Cinematographic Entertain ments, 6,30 and 9,30 p.m. Cinemaphon Aziz and Dorès, old Ramleh Station 6.30 & 9.30. Pathé Cinematographic entertainment. 6.30 and 9.30 p.m. Zizinia Theatre. Italian Opera. Faust

9 pm. Alnambra Theatre. Fregoli. 27 Football Rasel Tin school v. Saidieh school, Cairo, 2.30 p.m. on Ras el

Tin ground, 28 A. S. C. Hockey Match, Alex, v.

Ramleh. 2.30 p.m. 29 Pigeon Shooting Club. Gabbari. 2.30 p.m.

Pigeon Shooting. Champs Elysée 2,30 p.m Alhambra Theatre. Matince.

San Stefano Casino, Grand Concert, Every Sunday, 4 to 6 p m. and Cine matographic performance at dusk. Urbanora Cinematographic Entertainment. Sunday matinée. 4.30 p.m. Tour Eiffel Matinée. 4.45. Cinemaphon Aziz & Dores. Performances 4, 5,30, 6,45.

Merchant Seamen's Home Christmas Feast 6.30 p.m. followed by concert by St. Mark's Choir and

January

Fri. 3 Savoy Palace Hotel, First Concert of the Alexandria Amateur Musical and Dramatic Society. 9.30 p.m. 11 Alhambra Theatre. Grand Veglione of the Italian Benevole nt Society.

CAIRO.

Thur. 26 K. S. C. Polo Matches, Majors v. Captains. Helouan Casino. Fusco's Orchestra.

4 p.m. Grand Ball 9.30 p.m. Ghezireh Palace Hotel. Small Dance. Every Thursday. Khedivial Opera House. Abbas Theatre. Musical Comedy.

Nouveautes Theatre. Variety enter tainment, Garden Theatre. Freach Comedy. Ghezireh Palace Hotel. Concert by

Tzigane Band every afternoon.
K. S. C. A Bogey Competition of
Tweve Holes. Entrance. P.T. 15. 27 Savoy Hotel Coopers Hill Dinner. Grand Hotel, Helouan. Small Dance. Performance of the Bracale Orchestra Zoological Gardens. Ghizeh Boys Band. Every Friday Afternoon. Al Hayat, Helouan Orchestral Per formance. Every Friday. 3,30 to

Helouan Casino. Cinematograph, 6 p.m. and Arabic Performance 2 p.m K S. C. Polo Matches, Staff and Department v. K. S. C.

Savoy Hotel. Small Dance Helouan Casino. Fusco's Orchestra Sun. 29 Zoological Gardens. Egyptian army Band. Afternoon.

Al Hayat, Helouan Orchestral Per formance. Every Sunday. 3,30 to K S. C. The Race Course and Stee

plechase Course will be open on Sundays until further notice. Helouan Casino, Fusco's Orchesta. 10 am. British Military Band. 4 p.m. Cinematograph. 3.30 p.m. and

6 p.m. Turkish Performance. 9 p.m. Mon. 30 K. S. C. Polo Matches 60th Rifles v. K S. C. Mr. Schreiber's Team v. Inniskilling Dragoons. Al Havat, Helouan Orchestral Per formance. Every Monday. 3.30 to

The Egyptian Institute Meeting Tues. 31 K. S C 60th Rifles Band Lotteries Helouan Casino, Fusco's Orchestra 4 p.m.

Shepheard's Hotel, Small Dance. Every

Tuesday throughout the season January, Wed. 1 K. S. C. Race meeting

Al Hayat, Helouan Orchestral Performance. Every Wednesday, 3.30 to 6 p.m. Egyptian State Railway Institute. Childrens' Fête. 2 to 5 p.m. Grand Concert at 6 45 p.m. Dance 9.30 to

6.30 p m, 3 K. S. C. Race meeting 5 Grand Continental Hotel. Bulwer Sun.

Lodge Banquet. Thur. 9 Geological Museum. Opening by the Khedive of the Survey Departments Exhibition of Maps

Fri. 10 Geological Museum, Survey Depart-ments, Exhibition of Maps Open daily. 9 s.m. to 4.30 p.m.

The Guards' Annual Dance.

Mon. 13 R. S. R. Institute. Pive a side foot ball competition at Gheziret Badran.

Tues. 14 E. S. R. Institute. Five-side foot ball competition at Gheziret Brdran,

2 p.m. Thur, 15 The Horse Show.

#### Societe Anonyme des Eaux du Caire

Etat comparatif des Recettes et des Dépenses DU 1er JANVIER AU 30 NOVEMBRE 1907-1906

	Mois de Nov.	de Nov.	ov. 30 Nov.			e en 1907
RECETTES	1907	1906	1907	1906		en moins
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,, aux Bornes du Governe-	1,930	2,036	27,345	25,302	2043	-
ment	77	85	1.046	1.179		133
" aux Bornes-fontaines	2,505	2,369	30,342	27,897	2445	_
Recettes diverses	399	5	4,145	2,261	1884	
Etablissement de Zeitoun	414	324	5,574	3,605	1969	
,, d'Assiout	327	331	4,038	3.874	164	
	14,354	13,071	165,025	147,377	17781	133
Augmentation de recettes en 1907			17,64	8		
DEPENSES						
Dépenses	4,451	3,506	47,274	39,729		
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N.B.—Les dépenses de le rétablissement du le janvier au 30 novembre 1907 s'élèvent à la somme de L.E. 22,605, savoir : Canalisations L.E. 7,101—Construction nouveaux bâtiments à Rod-el-Farag L.E. 3,581—Construction de nouveaux puits L.E. 5,303—Canalisation à Matarieb L.E. 4,957 et divers L.E. 1,663.

Le Caire, le 18 Décembre 1907.

Le Directeur,

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